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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for extension of time for one month, from October 22, 2004, to November 22, 2004, is filed concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.